

Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB706

House of Origin ☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☒ Enrolled

2. Patron: Houck

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: **Health insurance; coverage for mental health and substance abuse services**

5. Summary: Removes the benefit limitations applicable to coverage for inpatient, partial hospitalization, and outpatient mental health and substance abuse services under large group health insurance policies. Under this measure, coverage for such services under large group policies will not be more restrictive than for other illness. The existing limitations will continue to apply to individual and small group policies.

6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: None

7. Budget Amendment Necessary: N/A

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Human Resource Management indicates that this bill should not create a fiscal impact to the health insurance programs managed by the agency because these programs are already in compliance with the provisions of the bill.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: All state agencies and political subdivisions that offer group health insurance policies to employees.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: N/A

11. Other Comments: None

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